West Bengal

1 Bankura	2 Birbhum	3 Dakshin Dinajpur	4 Jalpaiguri
5 Malda	6 Midnapur East	7 Midnapur West	8 Murhshiehad
9 Purulia	10 South 24 Parganai	11 Uttar Dinajpur	

Maintenance of roads under NHDP

*612. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government of India is not sanctioning the strengthening works under plan on the stretches which have been identified under NHDP during the period of sanctioning the works by NHAI; and

(b) if so, who will be responsible for poor maintenance of roads during this period?

THE MINISTER OF SHIPPING ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) and (b) National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) deals with the sections identified for upgradation to 4/6 lane under the National Highways Development Project (NHDP) and other projects, wherever 4/6 laning works under NHDP are under implementation, to keep the existing roads in traffic worthy condition, maintenance of the existing roads are carried out by the Contractor/Concessionaire as part of their obligations under contract/concession agreement. In case of sections identified under NHDP where 4/6 laning has not satarted, the maintenance of the existing roads are carried out by NHAI, State Public Works Departments (PWDs) and Border Roads Organisation (BRO) through the funds provided by the Central Government.